

## Preparing to Meet Ethan Frome

1. Prior to reading Ethan Frome, circle "Agree" or "Disagree" in the "Before Reading" column for each statement listed below.
  
2. Upon completion of Ethan Frome, reconsider these statements in light of the novel. Circle "Agree" or "Disagree" in the "After Reading" column. Place an (\*) by any opinions that were changed.

Before Reading	Opinion	After Reading
Agree/Disagree	Believe half of what you see and none of what you hear.	Agree/Disagree
Agree/Disagree	There are situations with no morally correct solutions.	Agree/Disagree
Agree/Disagree	Poverty traps people in lives of "quiet desperation".	Agree/Disagree
Agree/Disagree	It is unnecessary to admit to wrong doing, if you correct the mistake before anyone notices.	Agree/Disagree
Agree/Disagree	It is sometimes necessary to put aside personal needs or desires in order to fulfill one's family responsibilities.	Agree/Disagree
Agree/Disagree	If a person feels trapped by circumstance, suicide is an acceptable option.	Agree/Disagree
Agree/Disagree	It is O.K. to disappoint others when doing so will lead to personal happiness.	Agree/Disagree
Agree/Disagree	The ends justify the means.	Agree/Disagree

### Quick Write Activity:

Choose one question listed below and answer it in the space provided.

1. What do you imagine a town named "Starkfield" would be like? If you were to paint a picture of it, what colors would you use? What season would you choose to depict? Would you like to live in this town? Why or why not?
2. Recall a time when you were tempted to do something that would have disappointed family or friends? What did you finally do? What were the determining factors in your decision? How did you feel about your decision?